

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

1. (**Currently Amended**) A herbicide composition containing, as effective ingredients,

(A) 2-[(4,6-dimethoxypyrimidin-2-yl)hydroxymethyl]-6-

methoxymethyl-N-difluoromethanesulfonylanilide; and

(B) 4-(2-chlorophenyl)-N-cyclohexyl-N-ethyl-4,5-dihydro-5-oxo-1H-tetrazole-1-carboxamide,

(B) at least one compound selected from:

~~(1) 4-(2-chlorophenyl)-N-cyclohexyl-N-ethyl-4,5-dihydro-5-oxo-1H-tetrazole-1-carboxamide,~~

~~(2) 3-[1-(3,5-dichlorophenyl)-1-methylethyl]-3,4-~~

~~dihydro-6-methyl-5-phenyl-2H-1,3-oxazin-4-one,~~

~~(3) O-3-tert-butylphenyl 6-methoxy-2-pyridyl(methyl) thiocarbamate,~~

~~(4) O-ethyl O-6-nitro-m-tolyl(RS)-sec-butylphosphoramidothioate,~~

~~(5) S-4-chloro-N-isopropylcarbaniloylmethyl O,O-dimethyl [[-]]phosphorodithioate,~~

~~(6) methyl 5-(2,4-dichlorophenoxy)-2-nitrobenzoate,~~

~~(7) 5-tert-butyl 3-[2,4-dichloro-5-(prop-2-ynyloxy)-phenyl]-1,3,4-oxadiazol-2(3H)-one,~~

~~(8) 3-(2-chloro-4-mesylbenzoyl)-2-phenylthiobicyclo-[3.2.1]oct-2-en-4-one,~~

~~(9) S,S'-dimethyl 2-difluoromethyl-4-isobutyl-6-trifluoro-methylpyridine-3,5-dicarbothioate,~~

~~(10) S-ethyl azepane-1-carbothioate,~~

~~(11) 2-amino-3-chloro-1,4-naphthoquinone,~~

~~(12) methyl 2-[(4,6-dimethoxypyrimidin-2-yl)oxy]-6-[1-(methoxyimino)ethyl]benzoate,~~

~~(13) methyl α -(4,6-dimethoxypyrimidin-2-ylcarbamoyl-sulfamoyl)-o-toluate,~~

~~(14) ethyl 5-(4,6-dimethoxypyrimidin-2-ylcarbamoyl-sulfamoyl)-1-methylpyrazole-4-carboxylate, and~~

~~(15) (RS)-7-(4,6-dimethoxypyrimidin-2-ylthio)-3-methyl-2-benzofuran-1(3H)-one and~~

wherein there is employed, per 1 part by mass of the component (A), 1 to 15 parts by mass of component (B)

~~in the case of the compound (1), 1 to 15 parts by mass;~~

~~in the case of the compound (2), 0.5 to 5 parts by mass;~~

~~in the case of the compound (3), 5 to 30 parts by mass;~~

~~in the case of the compound (4), 10 to 50 parts by mass;~~
~~in the case of the compound (5), 5 to 30 parts by mass;~~
~~in the case of the compound (6), 10 to 50 parts by mass;~~
~~in the case of the compound (7), 0.5 to 5 parts by mass;~~
~~in the case of the compound (8), 1 to 15 parts by mass;~~
~~in the case of the compound (9), 0.5 to 5 parts by mass;~~
~~in the case of the compound (10), 15 to 60 parts by mass;~~
~~in the case of the compound (11), 10 to 70 parts by mass;~~
~~in the case of the compound (12), 0.5 to 10 parts by mass;~~
~~in the case of the compound (13), 0.5 to 5 parts by mass;~~
~~in the case of the compound (14), 0.5 to 5 parts by mass; and~~
~~in the case of the compound (15), 1 to 15 parts by mass.~~

2. to 5. (Cancelled)

6. **(Previously Presented)** A method for controlling growth of weeds in a paddy field which comprises sprinkling the herbicide composition described in claim 1 over the paddy field.

7. **(Original)** The method for controlling growth of weeds in a paddy field described in claim 6 in which the herbicide composition is sprinkled in the form of a powder agent or granulated agent in an amount in the range from 0.1 g to 5 kg per 10 ares area of the paddy field.

8. **(Original)** The method for controlling growth of weeds in a paddy field described in claim 6 in which the herbicide composition is sprinkled in the form of an emulsified agent, liquid agent, flowable agent or hydrated agent, the concentration of the components (A) and (B) as a total therein being in the range from 10 to 100,000 ppm.